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MEMORANDUM FOR DIRECTOR, DEFENSE FINANCE AND ACCOUNTING SERVICE

CLEVELAND CENTER

DIRECTOR, DEFENSE FINANCE AND ACCOUNTING SERVICE

DENVER CENTER

SUBJECT: Update to the Department of Defense Financial

Management Regulation, Vol 7B; Settlement of Arrears

for Annuitants (DFAS Item H-47)

The Interim Change Number R4-99 to the DoDFMR, Volume 7B. This change is effective immediately.

The attached final version of the change includes your comments where appropriate. Assignment of an interim change number is your authority to initiate a procedural modification to facilitate this change. For the Denver Center, use the attached to initiate the formal printed change to the DoDFMR, Volume 7B.

My point of contact is Mr. Fiti Malufau. He may be reached at (703) 607-5061 or DSN 327-5061. Our fax number is (703) 602-5271 or DSN 332-5271.

> Gregory P. Bitz Director for Finance

Attachment: As stated

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- I. Change the last sentence in Paragraph 70201 to read:
- **1170201** Payment of the arrears of the annuity under RSFPP, SBP, and MIW provision of the SBP law is made by the Department of Defense Finance and Accounting Service, Denver Center, in accordance with the procedures in paragraph 70203.u
- 2 Delete Paragraph 70202c.
- 3. Renumber the current Paragraph 70202d to read ""70202c."
- 4. Change the last sentence in **Paragraph 70203** to read:
- ""70203 When all the documentation is received, payment of the arrears is made to the person living on the date of the annuitant's death who is highest on the order of precedence set forth in paragraph 70104a(2)-(6)."
- 5. Delete Paragraph 70203b.
- 6. Renumber the current **Paragraph 70203c** to read ""70203b.11
- 7. Change the last sentence in **Paragraph 70203b** (Renumbered in paragraph 6. above) to read:
- **1%70203b.** However, when the person otherwise entitled to payment has not submitted a claim and cannot be located within 3 years after the death of the annuitant, payment may be made on a claim by the person or persons in the same class of entitlement, or in the absence of anyone in the same class, by the person or persons next in the order of precedence."
- B. Revise the first sentence of paragraph 91104g (as added by Interim Change RB-98) to read:
- "91104g. Any amounts which are due and payable at the time of the annuitant's death may be paid in accordance with the provisions of paragraph 70203.1-1
- 9. Add the following to the **Bibliography:**

"Paragraph	<u>Citation</u>
70203	10 U.S.C. 277111